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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 19, 2006, for which a response is due May 21, 2007, with a two month extension of time since May 19, 2007 was a Saturday, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. A Petition for Extension of time and the required fee are enclosed.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.

John Ezcurz

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